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## Long Beach Doctor Pleads to Distributing Pornography to Minor

A Long Beach doctor pleaded no contest today to one felony count of distributing pornography to a minor, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Robert C. Vanderet immediately ordered Jonathon Hagar Ellis (dob 11/10/82) to register for life as a sex offender and sentenced him to five years of formal felony probation, according to Deputy District Attorney Angela Brunson of the Cyber Crime Division.

Ellis also must serve 90 days in county jail and attend 52 weeks of sex offender counseling under the negotiated plea agreement. He additionally will be subject to search and seizure of electronic data and devices as requested by law enforcement.

In January, Ellis sent lewd photos of himself to an undercover Los Angeles Police Department detective who was posing as a 16-year-old girl.

Case BA466931 was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Detective Support and Vice Division.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.